TEXT:- Haggai 1:9 Ye looked for much and, lo, it came to little; and when ye brot it home, I did blow upon it. Why? saith Jehovah of Hosts. Because of my House that lieth waste, while ye run every man to his own house.

THEME:- When God's House is Neglected.

INTRO:- Context and historical setting.
520 BC.

BODY:-

I. Fatal Consequences of Neglect.

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1. To the Jews.
   a. much sowing but little reaping
   b. Much eating and drinking but scant nourishing
   c. much clothing and housing but poor protecting
   d. Much earning of wages but no saving

2. To the individual
   a. the case of a man lost in his personal affairs
   a. the case of a woman lost in her personal affairs

3. To the Home.
   a. the withdrawal of the Newly Weds.
   b. everything cared for but the family altar.

4. To the Church.
   a. What is a live church? A live church is a congregation of believers who are consecrated and organized for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom upon earth.
   bb. The fatal condition of a dead church
      "1" a house divided against itself.
      "2" a house from which the Spirit of God has departed
      "3" a house from which hungry souls flee
      "4" a house in which the world has but little interest.

II. The waste House of God an urgent call.

1. To the Jews Haggai 1:8, 12-15.

2. To the individual

3. To the Home.

4. To the Church

III. God's Neglected House causes a Looking Backward

1. On the part of the Jews(Ha.2:6-9).

2. On the part of the individual

3. On the part of the Home

4. On the part of the Church

IV. God's Neglected House causes a losing of courage and of hope.

1. In the heart of the Jews(Ha.2:11-19).

2. In the heart of the individual.
Like the experience of resuming the playing of the piano after years neglect.

3. In the heart of the Home

4. In the heart of the Church

CON:- I. We must rebuild at all costs.
1. God requires that we so do.
2. Our salvation depends upon it.
3. The World's salvation depends upon our doing it.

II. We must keep it built.